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**Sent:** 5/1/2019 6:04:18 PM  
**To:** BERMAN, TESSA [Berman.Tessa@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Slauson Tanker Fire E19902 Proposed meeting between stakeholders

Hi Tessa,  
Thank you for the helpful edits! Will do!

Cheers,

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**From:** BERMAN, TESSA  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 1, 2019 10:52 AM  
**To:** Castellana, Ben <castellana.ben@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Allen, HarryL <Allen.HarryL@epa.gov>; Wise, Robert <Wise.Robert@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Slauson Tanker Fire E19902 Proposed meeting between stakeholders

Hi Ben,

My one suggestion would be to frontload the assertion that this is intended to be a technical meeting (before the discussion of attorneys). I can be available by phone, so I also added that EPA will have a legal representative present by phone (it's good to be clear when we intend to have counsel present so that no one can later claim they didn't have notice). Suggested edits below.

Tessa

Hi Everyone,

I would like to reach out to suggest a meeting between stakeholder parties to discuss moving forward with the Removal operations for the Slauson Tanker Fire gasoline spill at the adjacent parcel located at 216 W. Slauson Ave. EPA has an office with ample room located at 2445 N. Palm, Signal Hill CA, if that works. I am amenable to a location that is more convenient to other parties as well.

Items I feel are important to discuss include:

- Site access agreement for the removal phase.
- Removal goals, including contaminant thresholds for soil and debris.
- The red-tagged structure at 216 W. Slauson --- disposition, characterization of underlying soils, etc.
- Permits and responsibility.
- Property restoration goals.
- Timeline.

BEC, the consultant for the owners of 210 W. Slauson Ave, has produced a sampling workplan that I would like to circulate to this work group before the meeting. This will be a technical meeting, and will not involve any

discussion of liability or settlement; that discussion should occur between private stakeholders. At least one party has indicated they would like to have their counsel attend this meeting, so we anticipate a legal representative from EPA will also be present by phone.

I would like to move forward quickly, so I'm going to suggest this Friday, May 3, 2019, if everyone can be present or call in. I am out of the office on business during the week of May 6 through 10, as well as May 20 through 24.

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**From:** Castellana, Ben

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**Subject:** Slauson Tanker Fire E19902 Proposed meeting between stakeholders

Hi Tessa,

I've finally gotten a response from the owners of the adjacent property at 216 W. Slauson Ave (the Solis family; these are the owners of the residence that was affected by the spill and fire). I am going to try to put a meeting together between the PRP and the adjacent landowner's representatives. I've spoken to Mr. Solis and the PRP's consultant, and both have indicated they want to bring their attorneys along.

I am going to use the following language for the invite:

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BEC, the consultant for the owners of 210 W. Slauson Ave, has produced a sampling workplan that I would like to circulate to this work group before the meeting. The Solis family has asked that their attorney be present, so legal representation is welcome. Please note that this will be a technical meeting, and will not involve any discussion of Settlement; that discussion should occur between private stakeholders.

I would like to move forward quickly, so I'm going to suggest this Friday, May 3, 2019, if everyone can be present or call in. I am out of the office on business during the week of May 6 through 10, as well as May 20 through 24.

I'll add you to the invite, which should go out early afternoon today. Please let me know if you can either call in or come down to Los Angeles, if there is enough time.

Thank you,

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